

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Monday, December 17, 2001

SENATE

Measures Passed:

Federal Long-Term Care Insurance: *Senate passed H.R. 2559, to amend chapter 90 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Federal long-term care insurance, clearing the measure for the President.*

Pages S 13360, D 1262

Small Business Paperwork Relief Act: *Senate passed S. 1271, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small business concerns with certain Federal paperwork requirements, and to establish a task force to examine information collection and dissemination, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendments proposed thereto:*

Pages S 13360-4, D 1262

Kennedy (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 2612, to provide for the task force to examine the feasibility of measures to strengthen the dissemination of information.

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Kennedy (for Kerry) Amendment No. 2613, to modify the appointment of members of the task force.

Pages S 13361, D 1262

H.R. 1. Elementary and Secondary Education Act Authorization Conference Report:

Senate began consideration of the conference report on H.R. 1, to close the achievement gap with accountability, flexibility, and choice, so that no child is left behind.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report on Tuesday, December 18, 2001, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur at 12 noon.

Pages S 13364, D 1262

S. 1731. Federal Farm Bill:

Senate resumed consideration of S. 1731, to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers, to enhance resource conservation and rural development, to provide for farm credit, agricultural research, nutrition, and related programs, and to ensure consumers abundant food and fiber.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on **Daschle (for Harkin) Amendment No. 2471**, in the nature of a substitute, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

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Committee Meeting Scheduled:

Committee on the Judiciary, 12/20/01 @ 10:00 a.m. Business meeting to consider pending calendar business. SD-226.

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Remark:

Defense Authorization.

"... During consideration of the Defense authorization bill, the Senate voted 74-24 to table an amendment that would have removed the Federal Prison Industries reform provision from the bill. [] I would like to point out that by eliminating the Federal Prison Industries' mandatory source status, this reform affects another controversial marketing scheme that the FPI developed in recent years. As a result of this bill, the FPI will no longer be able to require Defense contractors to use their products..."

Thomas

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HOUSE

Reports Filed:

Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on Dec. 13, **H.R. 556**, to prevent the use of certain bank instruments for unlawful Internet gambling (House Report 107-339 Part 1).

Pages H 10169, D 1263

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

***H.R. 2291, to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program for an additional 5 years, to authorize a National Community Antidrug Coalition Institute. Signed on December 14, 2001.
(Public Law 107-82)***

***H.J. Res. 78, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2002. Signed on December 15, 2001.
(Public Law 107-83)***

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Next SENATE MEETING: Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., December 18, 2001.

Next HOUSE MEETING: Tuesday, 12:30 p.m., December 18, 2001.

OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith)